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HAVING lately amus'd myſelf with a Survey of the Lives, Actions, Principles, Manners and Cuſtoms of the antient *Greeks* and *Romans*, I cannot but wonder extremely that their Law-givers, Orators, Poets, Heroes and Philoſophers, ſhould give themſelves ſo much Pains to purify their own Morals, preſerve their Country, poliſh its Manners, and rectify its Senates; that they ſhould devote their whole Lives to theſe ridiculous Labours, encounter all Difficulties, endure all Hardſhips, and deſpiſe all Dangers; above all Intereſt, unmov'd with Pleaſures, and rewarded only with that Phantom Fame.

Some we find ſo ſingularly juſt, that the Friendſhip, Compliments, nay even Bribes of Kings could not ſeduce them, but they obſtinately perſiſted in a Series of Toils and Dangers for the publick Good, and died in as much Wretchedneſs and Poverty, as if they had never meddled with the Adminiſtration. Others again are ſo bigotted to their Country's Liberty and Glory, that they chuſe to die, rather than ſurvive the Loſs of either; and in their laſt Moments diſdain'd, forſooth, to be great at the Expence of their Virtue.——Some too made it their Pride even to be ignorant of Muſick, and deſir'd rather to be vers'd in the dirty Arts of inriching and regulating a Commonwealth, than to ſing like *Farinelli*, or compoſe like *Handel*. Nay, there were ſome too that had the Raſhneſs to deſpiſe Magnificence and Luxury, tho' they were growing the very Top of the Mode, and had the Front of being no more aſham'd of their Poverty, than their *Ruſtick* Anceſtors had been before them. And abſurdeſt of all, there were a few ſo ungallant, as to overlook the moſt beautiful Ladies, and, out of a Point of Honour, would not offer them the leaſt Violence, tho' they were in their Power, and perhaps were not a little balk'd by the Diſappointment.

Beſide all theſe, there were others romantick enough to countenance the *Muſes*, run mad after Wiſdom, Knowledge and Science, make deep Diſquiſitions in Taſte, Elegance and Beauty, and give themſelves the Trouble to ſcatter the Seeds of them all, thro' the Publick, for the Advantage of thoſe, who would never thank them for the Harveſt.

But, what is moſt admirable, by a few of theſe frantick Examples whole Nations were brought not only to admire theſe Whims in others, but to practiſe them themſelves; to be as much fir'd with a great Action, as we now are with a Bottle of the beſt *Burgundy*, and to be more ambitious of imitating it, than a modern Patriot is of taking Place of a firſt Miniſter.——By this Means whole Aſſemblies, ſuch as we now call the Mob, were ſpirited up to great and hazardous Undertakings like one Man, could diſtinguiſh Truth and Equity as well, at leaſt, as a Maſter in *Chancery*, and judge of Plays, Pictures, Statues and Orations, as accurately and poſitively, as if there was nothing impudent in a *Plebeian*'s daring to be a fine Gentleman.

Hence it came about too, that a Parcel of idle Authors took it into their Heads to celebrate the Manners of theſe Heatheniſh Times, and recommend them to Poſterity, as the only proper Models for the forming and poliſhing a great, flouriſhing, and civiliz'd People.——This too they prate of in ſo ſerious and compos'd a Manner, as if they not only believ'd thoſe Chimeras themſelves, but thought it was impoſſible they ſhould be controverted by others. In this Preſumption we find them ſcattering about Rewards and Puniſhments, as if they were the Delegates of *Minos*, or, at leaſt, a Sort of Grand Jury to find Bills of Indictment in this World, for the Trial in the next: Thus thoſe they are pleas'd to ſtile Heroes, Patriots, Legiſlators, *&c.* are extoll'd to the Skies, and all the reſt, without Ceremony, expos'd as a Scandal to their Quality, and to be remember'd only to their Infamy.

By this Treatment of the Great, did theſe Dreamers imagine to keep up the Port of their Muſes, Graces, Virtues, to make them Maids of Honour at Court, Companions of the Nobles, and Idols of the People. — To make them flatter'd like Kings, and worſhipp'd like Deities: To annex Fame, Glory, Happineſs to their Names, and baniſh all theſe and them together.

For a while indeed the World was enſlav'd under this pedantick Diſcipline, and many Princes over-heated with this philoſophical Enthuſiaſm, ſeem'd to be afraid of nothing but Barbariſm, Oppreſſion, and Injuſtice; fondly believing that Kingſhip was not a vain Title, a ſpecious Pretence for Homage, Power, Empire, Grandeur, Pleaſure, and ſo forth; but a Place of real Study, Care and Application; not created for the Eaſe, Splendour, or Humour of the Poſſeſſor, but the Safety, Honour, Peace, and Welfare of thoſe who rais'd him to that auguſt, but painful Elevation.——Accordingly, you find many of them, forever buſied, like Chemiſts in Search of the Philoſopher's Stone, ſurrounded with Fire and Smoke, in Peace preparing for War, in War anxious for Peace: If abſolute a Slave to their own Deſigns, if limited to their Subjects: In Difficulties aſpers'd, flatter'd in Eaſe, envy'd always. Yet ſtupid enough to bear all patiently, tamely as Elephants that carry Caſtles, as a Defence to others, but a Burthen to themſelves. Deſpiſing the real Pleaſures that Power might command, and living upon a Throne with more Severity than a Hermit in his Cell.

Nay, ſo far did they carry this Fanaticiſm of Virtue, that ſuch who dar'd to deviate from this rugged Road, and had the Senſe to place their Happineſs in a genteel Indolence or elegant Luxury, were treated with publick Contempt and Diſeſteem, and a Cobler of Parts and Integrity was in higher Credit, than a Nobleman who was diſtinguiſh'd by nothing but his Coat of Arms. ——From whence we may conjecture, that, if any of our modern pretty Fellows could have made their Appearance among them, they would have found all their Accompliſhments entirely thrown away, and they might have dreſs'd, danc'd, ſung, fiddled for Years together, without the leaſt Envy from the Men, or Fondneſs from the Women.

Whereas, on the other Hand, rough, maim'd Soldiers, poor, deſpicable Poets, and pedantick Philoſophers, ſuch as are now entirely out of Faſhion, and laid aſide, had then the moſt intimate Friendſhips with the greateſt Princes, liv'd as it were in their Boſoms, and had the Inſolence to direct, arraign, and ſometimes condemn the Actions of their Patrons, as if Flattery was never expected, in Return for ſo many Favours, ſo judiciouſly beſtowed.

In ſo ſtrange a Manner had theſe impertinent Talkers juggled the World, got the better of Inclinations, Habits, Cuſtoms, Paſſions, and without Power, Wealth, or Dignity, gave the Law to all Mankind.——The Pen had the Advantage of the Sceptre, and the Sword; many that were poſſeſs'd of both the latter, condeſcended to take up the firſt, and glory'd more in their Acquiſitions that Way, than either of the other: As if they were not fit to command, who were not able to inſtruct, or that the Dignity of Government was to be maintain'd more by Perſuaſion, than Force. Stories hardly to be credited now a Days, and looking more like artful Romance of theſe Gown-Men, who in this Manner flatter'd themſelves to ſnare their new Times, by the Examples of the Former!

[*To be continued.*]

Advice in Love.

REmember, when you love, from that ſame Hour
You place your Quiet in your Lover's Power.
From that ſame Hour, from him you Laws receive,
And, as he ſhall ordain, you joy or grieve,
Hope, fear, laugh, weep: Reaſon aloof does ſtand
Diſabled both to act and to command.
Oh cruel Fetters! Rather wiſh to feel
On your ſoft Limbs the galling Weight of Steel:
Rather to bloody Wounds oppoſe your Breaſt!
No Ill, by which the Body can be preſt,
You will ſo ſenſible a Torment find,
As Shackles on your captivated Mind.

The Mind from Heaven its high Exiſtence draws,
And ſpurns diſdainful any other Laws
Than what from Reaſon diſtated ſhall be,
Reaſon a Kind of inmate Deity!
Which only can adapt to ev'ry Soul,
A Yoke ſo fit, ſo light, that the Controul
All Liberty excels: So ſweet a Sway,
The ſame 'tis to be happy, and obey.
This teaches rightly how to love and hate,
To fear and hope by Meaſure, Line, and Weight:
What Tears in Grief, ought from our Eyes to flow,
What Tranſport to Felicity we owe:
In ev'ry Paſſion how to ſteer the Will,
Tho' rude the Shock, to keep it ſteady ſtill.
O happy Mind! What Words can ſpeak thy Bliſs,
When, in a Harmony, thou mov'ſt like this?

SATURDAY, *July* 19.

ON Thurſday Night Mr. *Thomas Screen*, Son of Mr. *John Screen*, a wealthy Carpenter in *Marygold-Court* in the *Strand*, was found hanging to the Bed-Poſt in his own Chamber at his Father's Houſe, being quite dead; and laſt Night the Coroner's Jury ſate on the Body, and brought in their Verdict *Lunacy*. This Misfortune is ſaid to be owing to his Diſappointment in ſome Amours with a young Woman.

Yeſterday between One and Two o'Clock in the Morning, the *Southampton* Stage-Coach was overturn'd near *Kenſington* Turnpike going from *London*, in which were four Women Paſſengers, one Man and a Child; by which ſad Accident *Margaret Weldon*, a Chamber-maid belonging to the Right Hon. the Lord *Delawar*, was kill'd on the Spot; *Margaret Pert*, another of his Lordſhip's Servants, was bruiſed in ſo violent a Manner, that 'tis fear'd ſhe cannot recover; ſhe was brought back to his Lordſhip's Houſe in *Clifford-ſtreet*, and all proper Care taken of her: They were going down to his Lordſhip's Seat at *New-Foreſt* in *Hampſhire*. The Coachman was much bruis'd; but we don't hear the other Paſſengers receiv'd any other Damage.

The ſame Day a Weſt-Country Waggon going out of Town, had the Misfortune to be overturn'd by ſtriking againſt a Poſt, by which Accident a Woman who was in it had the Misfortune to be ſmother'd before they could remove the Goods.

The Rev. Dr. *Dry*, Vice-Preſident of St. *John's-College*, *Oxford*, and Vicar of St. *Sepulchre's*, *London*, has taken up his Degrees at *Oxford* as Doctor of Divinity.

On Thurſday the Worſhipful Company of Grocers agreed to let their Hall to Sir *John Williams*, to hold his Mayoralty in, he being next the Chair, for which he agreed to pay 400 Guineas.

His Excellency *Don Alvezedo*, Envoy Extraordinary from the King of *Portugal*, has contracted with Mr. *Hume*, a noted Shoemaker in *Pall-Mall*, for 2000 Pair of Jack-Boots, for the King his Maſter's Cavalry; the Boots are to be deliver'd in ſix Weeks.

His Excellency has alſo contracted with two others of the ſame Trade to furniſh 400 Pair more.

Marriage. They write from *Staffordſhire*,

[Price THREE HALF-PENCE.]

N. B. *Advertiſements, of a reaſonable Length, are put in this Paper at Two Shillings and Six-Pence each.*

that laſt Week the Rev. Mr. *Addenbrooke*, Chaplain to the Lord Biſhop of *Salisbury*, and Rector of St. *Mary*'s and St. *Chad*'s in *Strafford*, was married to Miſs *Wedgewood*, youngeſt Daughter of *Charles Wedgewood*, Eſq; a young Lady of a conſiderable Fortune.

MONDAY, *July* 21.

On Wedneſday Night the Aſſizes ended at *Abingdon* for the County of *Berk*, which proving a Maiden one, the Sheriffs, according to Cuſtom, preſented the Judges with White Gloves. A Soldier belonging to Col. *Cornwallis*'s Regiment of Foot was found guilty of Petty Larceny, and was order'd to be whipt: The Rev. Mr. *Silk* was tried for killing a fallow Deer in *Windſor Great Park* in *April* laſt, and after a Trial of near five Hours was acquitted.

On Thurſday laſt the Aſſizes ended at *Northampton*, when *Mary Faſſon* was condemned to be burnt for poiſoning her Husband, a Farmer. The Fact was proved againſt her, that about ſix Weeks after ſhe was married, *viz.* the 18th of *June* laſt, as ſhe was preparing Sugar-Sops for him, ſhe put into it ſome white Mercury, of which he languiſhed till the 21ſt of *June*, and then died, at his Houſe at *Weeden* in *Northamptonſhire*: He was 17 Years of Age, and Heir to 1800*l.* She was 20 Years old, and formerly a Servant-Maid in the ſame Place. The Reaſon of this unhappy Accident was owing to her holding a ſecret Correſpondence with a young Man there. *Elizabeth Wilſon* was condemned to be hanged for picking a Farmer's Pocket of 30 Shillings.

On Saturday laſt Mr. *du Grave*, Houſekeeper of the Palace of St. *James*'s, received Orders to get the Royal Apartments in Readineſs againſt the latter End of *October*, for the Reception of their Majeſties and the reſt of the Royal Family: And a great Number of Hands are employ'd in cleaning the Furniture, *&c.* ſo that all Thoughts of the Court's removing to *Hampton-Court*, after his Majeſty's Return home, are laid aſide.

The ſame Day a young Woman at *Clerkenwell*, having been debauch'd by a young Fellow, under Pretence of Marriage, and being with Child, poiſon'd herſelf, rather than be expos'd to the Cenſures of the World: The Coroner's Inqueſt ſat on her, and brought in their Verdict *Non Compos Mentis*; it appearing ſhe was in the utmoſt Deſpair at the Thoughts of being abandon'd by the Man to whom ſhe had deliver'd up her All.

Mr. *Salvadore*, an eminent *Jew* Merchant of this City, is contracting with ſeveral Gun ſmiths, *&c.* for a vaſt Number of Carbines, Piſtols, and other Fire Arms, for the Service of the King of *Portugal*.

On Saturday laſt Mr. *Sage*, the Brewer, was to ride his Grey Horſe (that won the Hunter's Plate at *Kingston* Races) with 12 Stone 20 Miles on the *Hounſlow* Courſe, in an Hour, (not ten Times round, for the two Mile Courſe is 25 Yards over two Miles) for 40 Guineas; he weighing 12 Stone, and the Saddle ſeven Pound, carry'd above his Weight. On ſtarting the Odds were five to four he did not do it; he rode the firſt Time round in ſeven Minutes, the ſecond Time in ſix, the third in ſix, the fourth in ſix and a half, and the fifth Time going round the Horſe ſtumbled, and the Rider having too ſhort a Rein, threw him over his Head, and run towards *Hanworth*; the Odds in running were ſix to four he did not do it; and if the Horſe had not fell he would have loſt; the Horſe ſweated violently as well as the Man; tho' it is no great Matter for a Horſe to run 20 Miles within the Hour, with a Feather, but to carry 12 Stone ſeven Pound he could not do it; and the Difference between a Groom Rider and a Gentleman Rider is about two Stone: There was not a great deal of Money laid, almoſt every Body chuſing to lay that he did not do it.

Laſt Thurſday Mr. *John Arnold*, Additional Surveyor of the Port of *London*, coming up the River, ſaw a Boat with ſome Paſſengers put off, from a Ship lately arrived from *Oſtend*, and order'd his Waterman to board them; whereupon, with ſome Difficulty in ſearching them, he found conceal'd in a Woman's Stays 33 Pieces of *Flanders* Lace, containing 261 Yards and a half: No Seizure of the like Kind has happen'd for ſome Years paſt.

Whitehall, *July* 19. Her Majeſty has been pleaſed to direct Letters Patent to paſs the Great Seal of *Great Britain*, containing a Grant of the Office of *York* Herald of Arms to *Charles Townley*, Jun. Eſq; void by the Surrender of *Philip Jones*, Eſq;

Death. On Friday Night died at *Ickenham-Hall* near *Uxbridge*, in the 90th Year of his Age, *Richard Shordiche*, Eſq; a Gentleman who had been upwards of 50 Years in the Commiſſion of the Peace for the County of *Middleſex*.

Bankrupts. Thomas Mutlow, late of *Jewin-ſtreet*, *London*, Founder.——*John Pembrudge*, of the City of *Glouceſter*, Grocer and Chandler.——*William Chenery*, of *Ipſwich*, *Saffolk*, Plumber.

TUESDAY, *July* 22.

Yeſterday the five Malefactors mentioned in our former were carried from *Newgate*, and executed at *Tyburn*, viz. *Kiffe* and *Wilſon* for Foot-padding, in the firſt Cart; *Macdonald* and *Martin*, alias *Pup's-Noſe*, for Horſe-ſtealing, in the ſecond Cart; and *Morpeth* for Foot-padding, in a Coach; the two in the ſecond Cart behav'd very audaciouſly, calling out to the Populace, and laughing aloud ſeveral Times; tho' it cannot now be ſaid they were in Liquor, the Orders of the Lord Mayor and Aldermen having been very ſtrictly obſerv'd by the Keepers. After the Execution, the Body of *Wilſon* was deliver'd to the Surgeons to be anatomiz'd.

Macdonald had been a notorious Offender, having been capitally convicted before; he had likewiſe been an Evidence againſt at leaſt half a Score of his Companions.

Orders are come from *Hanover* for finiſhing the Building in the *Meuſe* at *Charing-Croſs*, and for pulling down the old Granary there, which is ſaid to be the largeſt and moſt commodious of any in the Kingdom.

His Grace the Duke of *Montagu* having made a Preſent of a great Quantity of working Tools to the new Settlement of *Georgia*, ſuch as Carpenters and Joiners, Smiths, Coopers, *&c.* they have been put up in Barrels to be ſent by the firſt Opportunity to that Colony.

His Grace the Duke of *Chandos*, together with many others of the principal Nobility and Quality, have been liberal Benefactors to the ſaid new Settlement.

They write from *Staffordſhire*, that they have had a fine dry Seaſon in thoſe Parts, and great Quantities of all Sorts of Grain.

Her Grace the Dutcheſs Dowager of *Marlborough* has order'd a Statue of her late Majeſty Queen *Anne* to be carv'd out of a Block of fine white Marble, in order to be ſet up in the Court of the new Buildings which her Grace has lately erected at St. *Alban*'s, for the Reception of a great Number of poor Families.

They write from *Briſtol*, that *John Scrope*, Eſq; having thought proper to reſign his Place as Recorder of that City, one of the Judges had been recommended to ſupply the ſame.

Laſt Sunday a great Number of the Widows of the Navy, whoſe Husbands died before *Auguſt* 1732, and were unprovided, waited on the Queen at *Kenſington* with their humble Addreſs of Thanks for the Proviſion they lately receiv'd, thro' the King and her Majeſty's moſt gracious Goodneſs and Charity towards them, upon their humble Petition preſented to their Majeſties on Sunday the 29th of *April* 1733: And we hear that the Gentleman who conceiv'd the Scheme for their Proviſion attended them to her Majeſty.

On Sunday Morning an odd Affair happen'd in the Liberties of the *Fleet*, where a young Man and Woman (Country People and well dreſs'd) came to be marry'd; but before the Miniſter had half perform'd the Ceremony, the Woman was deliver'd of a Daughter.

Preferments. On Friday laſt Mr. *Turner*, Brother to *Cholmley Turner*, Eſq; one of the Knights of the Shire for the County of *York*, was unanimouſly choſen Regiſter for the North Riding of the ſaid County, an Office erected purſuant to a late Act of Parliament.——Mr. *Wilſon*, of St. *James*'s, *Weſtminſter*, is appointed Grocer to his Majeſty's Houſhold, in the room of *Miles Harper*, Eſq; deceas'd.

Marriage. Laſt Saturday *Richard Sheppard*, Eſq; an eminent and wealthy Brewer in *Southwark*, Candidate at the late Election to repreſent that Borough in Parliament, was married to Miſs *Wiſſingraft*, a young Gentlewoman of 10,000*l.* Fortune.

Deaths. Laſt Week died in *Scotland* the Right Hon. *Margery Murray*, Lady Viſcounteſs *Stormont*, and Baroneſs of *Balvaird* and *Scoon*. ——Laſt Night died, at his Houſe the Sign of the *Fox* in *Weſt-Smithfield*, Mr. *George Peach*, Whip-maker to his Majeſty.

WEDNESDAY, *July* 23.

The Workmen go on very expeditiouſly in digging the Foundation for the Wall to encloſe *Lincoln's-Inn-Fields*. There is to be left 45 Feet all round the Fields for a Coach-way, to be well pav'd, and 10 Feet for a Foot-way; and it is to be ornamented all round with Stone Poſts.

By Letters from *Hanover*, of the 26th, N. S. we learn, that on the 23d early in the Morning, the whole Court went to *Wieſenbroek*, whither the King followed about Eight o'Clock, and open'd the Chace. There were three Tables in Tents; at the King's Table dined eleven Ladies of his Majeſty's Retinue, and three Lords: The Number of Spectators from *Hanover*, *Zell*, and other Places, was great beyond Computation, which gave the King a particular Pleaſure, who on his Return to *Herenhauſen*, was waited on by the Lord *Rockingham*, who arrived the 22d, and was graciouſly received, having the Honour to ſup at his Majeſty's Table, together with the eleven Ladies in their Hunting Habits. Yeſterday the Lord *Rockingham* took Leave of his Majeſty, in order to purſue his Travels in *France*.

Laſt Week Mrs. *Heron*, the celebrated Comedian, had the Misfortune to fall down Stairs at her Houſe in *Surrey*, by which Accident ſhe broke both her Knee-Pans.

On Monday in the Afternoon one Mr. *Nicholſon*, a Sadler in *Coleman-ſtreet*, hang'd himſelf; and Yeſterday Morning the Coroner's Inqueſt ſat on the Body, and brought in their Verdict *Lunacy*.

Death. On Monday died, at her Houſe in *Mount-ſtreet*, the Counteſs Dowager of *Jerſey*, Mother of the preſent Earl.

Bankrupts. John Chalkley, of St. *John-ſtreet*, *Middleſex*, Chapman.——*John Chapman*, of *Wantage*, *Berks*, Linnen-draper.——*John Lovelock*, of *Newberry*, *Berks*, Mercer.——*Anthony Deniſon*, of *Kirkby* in *Kendal*, *Weſtmoreland*, Malſter.

THURSDAY, *July* 24.

Yesterday Morning about Three o'Clock, a Fire broke out at the lower Part of the House of Mr. *North*, a Carpenter and Undertaker, in *Little Eastcheap*, which entirely consum'd the same, with all the Furniture, and damag'd two others; but by the immediate Assistance of the Firemen and Engines it was soon extinguish'd. Mr. *North* himself narrowly escap'd the Flames, only in his Shirt and Breeches, by creeping along a Ledge not three Inches broad, up two Pair of Stairs, into a Window at the next House, at the utmost Peril of his Life. His Wife and Children happen'd to be in the Country.

On Friday Night last a Gentleman's Groom was attack'd by two Foot-pads in *Holborn*, who robb'd him of what Money he had, and finding in his Pocket a Pair of Scissars with which he us'd to trim his Horses, they had the Barbarity therewith to cut one of his Ears close to his Head.

On Wednesday the 9th Instant in the Evening, three young Fellows coming to a Warren in the Parish of *Brockhampton* in *Gloucestershire*, with an Intent to steal Rabbits, having three Dogs with them for that Purpose, whilst they were pursuing their Game, were surpriz'd by one *Littleton Oseman*, the Keeper, a Man upwards of 80 Years of Age, who, upon high Words arising, discharg'd his Piece, and kill'd one of them, whose Name was *John Butts*, on the Spot; upon which he was immediately seiz'd and committed to *Glocester* Gaol, in order to take his Trial for the same.

Yesterday between Twelve and One o'Clock at Noon, *Esther Barrupt* (who was convicted at the last Sessions at *Guildhall* of dropping a Child in the Parish of St. *Bride*'s) stood in the Pillory over-against *Salisbury-Court* in *Fleet-street*, pursuant to her Sentence; and instead of being abused by the Mob (as too often happens) and throwing Dirt or Stones at her, she was treated with all the Kindness imaginable; nay, instead of Stones, the Mob was so pleased that they threw abundance of Shillings and Six-pences into the Pillory for her Relief. Several Coaches that went by at the same Time stopt, and the Gentlemen and Ladies sent her Money; so that its reckon'd she got above five Pounds. And it no sooner struck One o'Clock, but the Pillory was turned, and she made a Courtesy to all the Spectators, and was carried to the *Castle* Tavern in *Fleet-street* to be refreshed.

M. *del Campos*, in the Absence of his Excellency *Don Alvezedo*, has contracted for 10,000 Sword-Belts for the King of *Portugal*'s Army.

We hear that the Lord *Tyrawley*, his Majesty's Minister at *Lisbon*, hath been declar'd a Lieutenant-General of the King of *Portugal*'s Army.

Yesterday was held a General-Court of the *South-Sea* Company, at their House in *Threadneedle-street*, when the Dividend on their Trading Capital Stock, for the half Year ending at *Midsummer* last, was declar'd to be one and a half *per Cent.*

The Trustees of the Infirmary in *James-street*, *Westminster*, at a General Meeting held the 22d Instant, appointed the Right Hon. the Master of the Rolls, President, *Thomas Green*, Esq; Vice President, the Right Hon. the Lord *Sundon*, the Right Hon. Sir *Charles Wager*, *Henry Hoar*, and *Mark Thurston*, Esqrs; the Physicians and Surgeons of the said Infirmary, and some other Gentlemen of Consideration, as a Committee to concert Measures with the Governors, Physicians, and Surgeons of the other Hospitals in the Cities of *London* and *Westminster*, for suppressing the Use of a Liquor call'd Gin, and such other pernicious Liquors, so destructive of the Health of the Poor.

Robert Morpeth, one of the Persons executed last Monday at *Tyburn*, declared to the two Serjeants of the Compter, who went in the Coach with him to *Tyburn*, that he knew of the robbing of Mr. *Shirley*, at the *Hoop* Tavern in the *Strand*, of the Silver Tankards; and that the Persons who committed that Robbery were, a noted Guinea-dropper, well known about Town, who now absconds, and a Gentleman's Son, who has been in several Robberies of late, and absconds likewise, having been concern'd with *Morpeth*; and that Dr. *Dunn*, who was prosecuted last Sessions for that Fact, knew nothing of the Matter.

Last Friday the Assizes ended at *Oxford*, when *William Mills* was capitally convicted for House-breaking, but was repriev'd for 14 Years Transportation: *William Tranter* and *John Hosking* were try'd for stealing Goods from several Persons, and order'd to be burnt in the Hand; *Joseph Porter*, for Petty Larceny, was order'd to be whipt. *James Swing* for Burglary, *Elizabeth Jennings* for stealing a Gown, and *Robert Ring* for picking the Pocket of *John North*, Esq; are order'd to remain in Gaol till next Assizes.

Tuesday Morning Mr. *Joel Dance*, Partner with Mr. *Goddard*, an eminent Glazier in *Pudding-Lane*, upon some Discontent not known, hanged himself in one of his Glass Warehouses near the *Old Swan*.

On Tuesday the 15th Instant, *Richard Hurst* the Younger, about 14 Years of Age, being sent about Noon to his Father, a Smith of *Great Hasely* in *Oxfordshire*, to a Pit at *Little Milton*, about half a Mile distant, to gather Sand, which his Father generally used in his Forge in the working of his Iron, and not returning so soon as expected, the Father sent two others of his Sons to look for him, who going to the Place and finding the Pit had fallen in and his Clothes on the Out-side, imagin'd he was in the Pit, and accordingly digging with their Hands, and taking away about five Loads of Sand and small Stones, found their Brother dead, standing on his Legs, with his Back bent, and his Head betwixt his Legs: It is thought the Pit's falling in was occasion'd by the late heavy Rains in that Country.

Yesterday *Abraham Davenport*, the Evidence against *William Lewis* and *Elizabeth Morris*, was a third Time examin'd before Justice *Deveil*, and finish'd all his Informations, which amount to 26 Burglaries, Street-Robberies and Felonies; and at the same Time *Robert Barker*, Esq; and Mr. *Bathurst*, who had both been robb'd in the Street and put in Fear of their Lives by the said *Lewis*, from the first of whom they took a Gold Watch, a Silver-hilted Sword, some Keys and some Half pence, and from the other a Silver Watch and Half a Crown, both appear'd to prosecute the said *Lewis*, and were accordingly bound over so to do.

Marriage. Last Week *Richard Arnold*, Esq; an eminent Attorney and Solicitor on St. *Lawrence-Pountney-Hill*, was married to Mrs. *Marescoe*, of *Richmond* in *Surrey*, Widow, Sister and Heiress of *Edmund Jones*, late of the same Place, Esq; deceas'd, a young Lady of 20,000*l.* Fortune.

FRIDAY, *July* 25.

Yesterday Morning the Surveyors who are appointed to beautify *Lincoln's-Inn-Fields*, ordered that Part of the Ground on *Holborn* Row Side to be plough'd up, and accordingly they set a Plough to work, drawn by six Horses; but the Ground was so hard, that it soon broke, and before they had plough'd one Length, they broke a second Plough; and this Morning there is to be a very strong one set to work, which is to be drawn by ten Horses.

On Wednesday the 16th Instant, a Malster at *Winstead* near *Basingstoke* in *Hampshire*, murder'd his Wife, by giving her several Blows about the Head, *&c.* that she immediately expired: And on Monday the Coroner's Jury sat on the Body, and brought in their Verdict, *Wilful Murder*; but the while the Jury were sitting, the Husband made his Escape.

On Monday last as two young Gentlemen were fishing near *Kingston-Bridge*, the Boat over-set, and they were both drowned.

We hear that *Stocks-Market* is actually fix'd upon as a proper Place for the Building of a Mansion-House for the Lord Mayors; and that the City is treating for the Purchase of two Houses at the Corner of the *Poultry*, which being pull'd down, 'tis said will make Room enough for the Purpose.

A List is taking of the Inhabitants of *Black-Fryars*, Freemen and Non-Freemen, in order to lay the same before the Lord Mayor and Court of Aldermen.

On Wednesday last the Assizes ended at *Salisbury* for the County of *Wilts*, when three Persons received Sentence of Death, *viz. William Webb* for Horse-stealing; *Benjamin Hiscut* for breaking open the House of Mrs. *Bendal* at *Sutton-Veney*, and stealing thence twenty Guineas; and *Stephen Francisco*, an *Arabian*, for assaulting a Person on the Highway, violently beating him, and robbing him of the greatest Part of his wearing Apparel. One was burnt in the Hand for Manslaughter, one cast for Transportation, and two acquitted.

William Langford was found guilty of a Misdemeanor in defrauding a Person at *Salisbury* of a Sum of Money, by desiring him to lend him six Guineas upon three *Portugal* Pieces of Gold, each of the Value of 3*l.* 12*s.* which being in a Purse the said *Langford* found Means to change for another with three Pieces of Lead in it, and he was sentenc'd to stand once in the Pillory, six Months Imprisonment, and to find Security for his good Behaviour for three Years.

Last Wednesday in the Afternoon, as a Boat was going on Shore from on board the *Sparrow* of *Whitby*, at Anchor near *Gravesend*, she was by a sudden Gust of Wind overset, by which Accident two Men and a Boy were drowned.

The same Day a Cricket-Match was played on *Moulsey-Hurst* in *Surrey*, between nine *Surrey* Men and nine *Middlesex* Men, for 40*l.* a Side; which was won by the former.

Last Wednesday a great Cricket-Match was play'd on *Chelsea-Common*, between the Gentlemen of *Chelsea* and the Gentlemen of *Clapham*, for 50 Guineas a Side, which was won by the former. In their Play, one Mr. *Row*, one of the Gamesters, had the Misfortune to break his Arm by a Fall.

By Letters from *Jamaica* we have Advice, that on the 8th of *May* last Martial Law was proclaim'd there for three Months longer, which had caus'd great Complaints, several Persons being thereby screen'd from paying their Debts to the Merchants till the next Crop; and that the Pretence for this fresh Declaration was, the Report that the rebellious Negroes had committed new Insults, and had taken a Town, boiling and roasting the White People alive, all which is entirely groundless, they being in a Manner subdued.

Marriages. On Tuesday last *George Cooke*, Esq; was married to Miss *Twysden*, youngest Daughter of the late Sir *Thomas Twysden*, of *Peckham* in *Surrey*, Bart. a young Lady of 5000*l.* Fortune.——Wednesday *James Pritchard*, of *Berkshire*, Esq; was married at St. *George*'s *in the East* to Miss *Jemima Candor*, only Daughter of the late Sir *John Candor* of the North, a beautiful young Lady, with a large Estate.

FOREIGN NEWS.

Vienna, July 13.

THE Court has received Advice, that the Elector of *Bavaria* has granted the *Ruſſian* Troops Paſſage thro' his Dominions, upon Condition that they commit no Diſorders, pay for what they call for, and march by ſingle Regiments.

Warſaw, July 13. Count *Czawicſa*, Great Chamberlain of *Lithuania*, whom King *Auguſtus* III. and the Party attach'd to him, had ſent Ambaſſador to the Empreſs of *Ruſſia*, is arrived here from *Petersburg*, and has acquainted his Majeſty with the Czarina's Reſolution, never to conſent to any Peace which does not fix King *Auguſtus* on the Throne of *Poland*.

Paris, July 27. We hear from *Leghorn*, that News was arrived there of the Coronation of the King of the two *Sicilies* at *Palermo* the 3d Inſtant, where the Ceremony was perform'd with the utmoſt Pomp and Solemnity; the People gave the greateſt Demonſtrations of Duty and Affection to his Majeſty that ſuch an Occaſion requir'd; and as the Heats begin to grow violent in that Country at this Time of the Year, the King was to ſet out the 6th or 7th Inſtant for *Naples*, where the Magiſtrates have already erected a great many Triumphal Arches, and made ſeveral other extraordinary Preparations for his Majeſty's Reception: Several Noblemen have alſo order'd Barks and Feluccas to be finely gilt and painted, and to be richly lin'd with Tapeſtry, in order to go and meet the King.

They write from the *Hague*, that the King of *Spain* having requeſted the States-General to intercede with his *Britannick* Majeſty for recalling his Fleet from *Lisbon*, their High-Mightineſſes reply'd, 'They would employ 'their good Offices with all their Hearts, but 'they thought his Majeſty's Word might be 'very well taken as to the Deſign of it, and 'that it was unneceſſary to ſolicit its Return, 'as no Harm was intended by it.'

We hear that Count *d'Ulfeldt*, the Emperor's Miniſter at the *Hague*, has had a Conference with the Deputies of their High-Mightineſſes the States-General, and has declar'd to them, in a Memorial deliver'd in the Name of his *Imperial* Majeſty, 'That his *Imperial* Ma'jeſty having already given innumerable In'ſtances of his ſincere Deſire for Peace, and 'Confidence in the Maritime Powers, a late 'Proof of which was his Readineſs in accept'ing the Plan of Pacification as the King of '*Great Britain* and their High-Mightineſſes 'had ſettled it, was ſtill ready to give new 'Evidence of his pacifick Diſpoſitions, and 'had accordingly inveſted him (Count *d'Ulfeldt*) with proper Powers to conſent to an 'Armiſtice, being content that it ſhould be a 'general one, and that Affairs in *Italy* ſhould 'remain in *Statu quo*; but on the other hand, 'inſiſting that for the Sake of the Princes of 'the Empire, whoſe Territories were expos'd 'to the *French* Army, the *Chriſtian* King 'would withdraw his Troops from the Em'pire, thoſe in the fortify'd Places excepted, 'and that the Negotiations ſhould be imme'diately commenc'd in a Congreſs, upon the 'Baſis of the Plan of Accommodation con'certed by the Maritime Powers.

From *Warſaw* of the 16th, that the Primate of the Kingdom was that Evening, between Six and Seven, arriv'd there, and was the next Day to have publick Audience of the King.

Letters from *Mentz* of the 23d Inſtant, inform us, that the Number of *French* in that Neighbourhood daily decreaſed; and on the other Hand, the *Imperialiſts* were continually reinforcing the Troops in their Line, which already conſiſted of about 12,000 Men. The *Imperial* Huſſars went out every Day in queſt of Booty; but the Enemy were ſo well upon their Guard, that it was almoſt impoſſible to take any Advantage of them. A Detachment of 300 *French* deſigning to paſs the *Rhine* near *Angelſheim*, 50 Men were firſt ſet on Shore, who not being followed ſo ſoon as they ought, were all taken Priſoners, which put a Stop to the Expedition.

Paris, July 30. The King of *Great Britain* having caus'd a Propoſal, already agreed to by the Emperor, to be made to the Allied Powers for a Suſpenſion of Arms, which ſhould leave Affairs in *Italy* and *Germany* in their preſent Condition, the Allies anſwer'd, that they accepted it with all their Hearts, provided that the Armiſtice ſhould be general, and *Poland* included in it: This Anſwer has been ſent to his *Imperial* Majeſty, who, no Doubt, will communicate it to the Czarina before he can give his Opinion of a Matter of ſuch Conſequence.

Modena, July 13. The *Spaniards* have open'd the Trenches before *Mirandola*, and actually batter the Place with 22 Pieces of Cannon and 8 Mortars.

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